Bowers School celebrated Earth Day on April 22nd with various projects contributing to environmental awareness: Ms. Cleary's Kindergarten class ventured outside to clean up the grounds surrounding the schools; Ms. Sabatelli's Kindergarten class made Earth Day promises; and Ms. Magnotta's first grade class created Earth Day people.

Ms. Holdt's class studied a book about landfills, then discussed ways to reduce, reuse, and recycle. The class brainstormed what would be needed to create a compost bin, and staff brought in materials (bin, and some starter soil), then as a class they collected materials on Earth Day - worms, dirt, brown materials, and green materials. They have been putting some things from lunches into the bin. Each day the class maintains the bin and watches the progress it is making.

Ms. Ghetia's fifth grade class and Ms. Tryon's Kindergarten class brought their book buddies together to plant marigolds. The fifth graders will then carry out a long-term scientific investigation to learn more about controls and variables.



Ms. Cleary's Kindergarten class cleaning up the outdoors



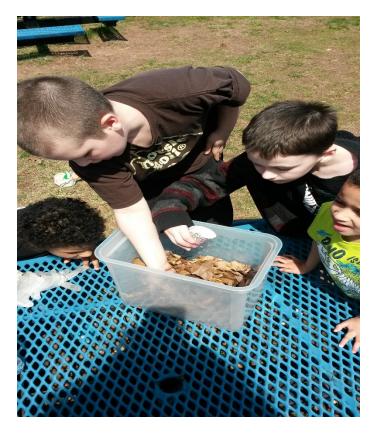
Ms. Cleary's Kindergarten class



Ms. Sabatelli's Kindergarten class – Earth Day Promises



Ms. Magnotta's 1st grade class – Earth Day People



Ms. Holdt's class – creating a compost bin



Ms. Ghetia's 5^{th} grade and Ms. Tryon's Kindergarten classes – planting marigolds



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